

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Listing of claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended) An AV system, comprising: a server and a plurality of clients,
at least one of said clients including;

a broadcaster broadcasting a predetermined magic word, and

a requester requesting said server to establish a connection based on an IP address and a
port number transmitted from said server,

said server including;

a storage device having a secure storage region[[]], and

an authenticator ~~determining whether or not to permit data to be written in said secure~~
~~storage region and whether or not to permit data to be read out from said secure storage region~~
authenticating the client based on the magic word broadcasted from the client, transmitting the IP
address and the port number of said server to the authenticated client and accepting the request
from the client to establish the connection with the client,

said client further including;

a writer writing said ~~music and/or video~~ data in said secure storage region ~~via the~~
connection established by said server when said authenticator permits said data to be written in
the region authenticated by said server[[]], and

a reproducer reading out ~~said~~ music and/or video data from said secure storage region via the connection established by said server ~~when said authenticator permits said data to be read out~~ and reproducing sound and/or video based on said data when authenticated by said server.

2. (Original) The AV system according to claim 1, wherein

said writer rips said data from a medium having said data recorded therein and writes said data in said secure storage region.

3. (Original) The AV system according to claim 1, wherein

said reproducer reproduces sound and/or video by a streaming method.

4. (Currently Amended) A method of recording/reproducing an AV content by using an AV system comprising a server that includes a storage device having a secure storage region and a plurality of clients, said method comprising the steps of:

~~determining whether or not to permit data to be written in a secure storage region and whether or not to permit data to be read out from said secure storage region~~ broadcasting a predetermined magic word by at least one of said clients, and;

authenticating the client based on the magic word broadcasted from the client,
transmitting the IP address and the port number of said server to the authenticated client and
accepting the request from the client to establish the connection with the client, by said server,

requesting said server to establish a connection based on an IP address and a port number transmitted from said server, by at least one of said clients,

writing said music and /or video data in said secure storage region via the connection established by said server when the permission to write said data is given authenticated by said server; and

reading out said music and /or video data from said secure storage region via the connection established by said server; and

reproducing sound and/or video based on said data when the permission to read out said data is given authenticated by said server.

5. (Currently Amended) An AV content recording/reproducing program product for enabling a computer to execute the steps of:

~~determining whether or not to permit data to be written in a secure storage region and whether or not to permit data to be read out from said secure storage region~~ broadcasting a predetermined magic word by a client;

authenticating the client based on the magic word broadcasted from the client,
transmitting the IP address and the port number of said server to the authenticated client and
accepting the request from the client to establish the connection with the client, by a server;

requesting said server to establish a connection based on an IP address and a port number transmitted from said server, by the client;

writing ~~said~~ music and /or video data in said secure storage region via the connection established by said server when ~~the permission to write said data is given~~ authenticated by said server; and

reading out ~~said~~ music and /or video data from said secure storage region via the connection established by said server; and

reproducing sound and/or video based on said data when ~~the permission to read out said data is given~~ authenticated by said server.

6. (Currently Amended) An AV apparatus working as a client accessible to a server that includes a storage device having a secure storage region, comprising:

~~an authenticator requesting permission to read out data from a secure storage region a~~
broadcaster broadcasting a predetermined magic word to make said server authenticate the client
and transmit an IP address and a port number;

a requester requesting said server to establish a connection based on an IP address and a
port number transmitted from said server; and

a reproducer reading out ~~said~~ music and /or video data from said secure storage region
via the connection established by said server when ~~the permission to read out said data is given~~
and reproducing sound and/or video based on said data when authenticated by said server.

7. (Currently Amended) An AV apparatus working as a client accessible to a server that includes a storage device having a secure storage region, comprising:

~~an authenticator requesting permission to write data in a secure storage region a broadcaster broadcasting a predetermined magic word to make said server authenticate the client and transmit an IP address and a port number;~~

a requester requesting said server to establish a connection based on an IP address and a port number transmitted from said server; and

a writer writing said music and /or video data in said secure storage region via the connection established by said server when the permission to write said data is given authenticated by said server.

8. (Canceled)

9. (New) The method according to claim 4, wherein

said step of writing reads said data from a medium having said data recorded therein and writes said data in said secure storage region.

10. (New) The AV system according to claim 4, wherein

said step of reproducing reproduces sound and/or video by a streaming method.

11. (New) The program product according to claim 5, wherein
said step of writing rips said data from a medium having said data recorded therein and
writes said data in said secure storage region.

12. (New) The program product according to claim 5, wherein
said reproducer reproduces sound and/or video by a streaming method.

13. (New) The AV apparatus according to claim 6, wherein
said reproducer produces sound and/or video by a streaming method.

14. (New) The Av apparatus according to claim 7, wherein
said writer rips said data from a medium having said data recorded therein and writes said
data in said secure storage region.